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REQUEST FOR

CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) **TRANSMITTAL**

Application Number	09/955,773			
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Confirmation Number	1454			
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Group Art Unit	2186			
Examiner Name	Bataille, Pierre Miche			
Attorney Docket Number	1958.1005-001			

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of a utility or plant application	Examiner Name	Bataille, Pierre Miche					
filed on or after June 8, 1995. See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA)	Attorney Docket Number	1958.1005-001					
This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Red. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.							
1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114							
a. [X] Previously submitted							
 i. [X] Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered. 							
ii [] Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on [].							
iii. [] Other [].							
b. [] Please do not enter the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on [].							
c. [X] Enclosed							
i. [] Amendment/Reply	[] Amendment/Reply						
ii. [] Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)							
iii. [] Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)							
iv. [X] Petition for Extension of Time - one month with co	ору						
v. [X] Other Remarks for Continued Examination.							
2. Miscellaneous							
a. [] Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of [] months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)							
b. [] Other [].							
3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 CFR §1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR §1.114 when the RCE is filed.							
a. [X] A check is enclosed for the following fees in the total an	nount of \$ 900						
OR							
[] Authorization is granted to charge the following fees in the total amount of \$[] to Deposit Account No. 08-0380. A copy of this document is enclosed for accounting purposes							
i. [X] RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)							
ii. [X] Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1 17) 10/15/2004 MAHNED1 00000037 09955773							
iii. [] Amendment Fee	01 FC:1801	790.00 OP					
iv. [] Other [].							
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REMARKS FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

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Sir:

A Request for Continued Examination is being filed in response to the Final Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on April 7, 2004, and the Advisory Action mailed on August 9, 2004 in the above-referenced application. Reconsideration and further examination are requested.

An Amendment After Final was filed on July 7, 2004 and was not entered. A Notice of Appeal was also filed on July 7, 2004 and received by the USPTO on July 9, 2004. The Office did not acknowledge the Notice of Appeal in the Advisory Action.

The undersigned attorney petitions the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for filing a Brief on Appeal pursuant to the Notice of Appeal for one month, from September 9, 2004 to October 9, 2004 under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a).